

Specifically, the Examiner asserts that the present claims are not distinct from claims 13-20 of US '460 wherein Z represents 1-1 and 1-2 and X' is O' as claimed and the present claims are not distinct from claims 13-20 of US '489 when Z represents 1-1 and 1-2 and when Z is N.

Applicants respectfully submit that a terminal disclaimer is submitted herewith for each of U.S. Patent No. 6,531,460 (Application No. 089/830,167) and U.S. Patent No. 6,548,489 (Application No. 10/035,219), thereby obviating the rejection.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the rejection.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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